4. As soon as the sale is closed, the purchaser should pay one-forth deposit of the sale amount and the balance within a week from the date of intimation of the confirmation of the sale.

5. The trees should be felled flush with the ground without leaving any stump.

6. No trees other than those marked should be felled.

7. The trees felled together with branches, fuel, etc., yielding from them should be removed outside the village within three months from the date of sale on the sold-stamp being affixed by the Range Officer, Hassan Range, and under cover of a permit issued by him failing which, the trees and other produce that may be left on the area will be escheated free of all incumbrances.

8. On the expiry of the prescribed period of three months, the purchaser will not be entitled to any extension of time and will lose all claims over the money he has paid for the standing and felled timber on the area.

9. The highest bidder should enter into an agreement in conformity with the above conditions.

10. The highest bidder is required to deposit a sum of Rs. 100 in the Mysore Government Savings Bank for the due fulfilment of the terms of the contract, which will be returned in whole or in part as the case may be, after the expiry of the period of contract.

11. The highest bidder shall not cut, damage or injure any tree other than those purchased by him and for which he has a right, failing which, he shall be liable to pay at Rs. 50 per tree or any part thereof for such trees so injured, cut or damaged from the amount so deposited.

L. P. MASCARENHAS,
*District Forest Officer.*

## SHIMOGA DIVISION.

*Notice dated 3rd October* 1923.

It is hereby notified that a sum of Rs. 2-8-0, being the commission due to the Commission Vendor G. Narayana Rao, whose whereabouts are not known remains undisbursed. If the amount is not claimed by him or his heirs within a month from the date of notification, the same will be forfeited to Government.

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*Notification dated 13th October* 1923.

Sealed tenders will be received at the office of the District Forest Officer, Shimoga, for the preparation and supply of 15,000 (fifteen thousand) junglewood consisting of *Mathi, Nandi, Jambe and Jalari* metre-gauge sleepers (6′ x 8″ x 4½″) to the department.

2. The tenders should be in the form noted hereunder superscribed "Tender for the supply of junglewood metre-gauage sleepers." The rate should be distinctly written in words as well as in figures.

3. Each tender should be accompanied with a deposit of rupees hundred only (100) in currency notes which will be returned in due course in respect of rejected tenders.

4. The tenders should reach the office of the District Forest Officer, Shimoga, not later than 31st October 1923, at 2 P.M., and the acceptance is subject to the approval of the Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

5. The Conservator of Forests does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender or to assign any reason for rejecting.

6. Half the number of sleepers should be supplied by the 15th of January 1924 and the balance by the end of March 1924.

7. The sleepers should be delivered at Shimoga. Payment will be made only for such of the sleepers as are passed by the Mysore Railway Department.

8. The sleepers should be sawn square and smooth measuring 6′ x 8″ x 4½″ and must be free from cracks, shakes, planes and other defects.

9. The contractor should fell, collect and prepare sleepers from out of the trees marked by the Range Officers in the forests of Hanagere and Shanker Ranges.

10. The successful tenderer will be required to execute an agreement within a week from the date of acceptance of his tender embodying the following conditions, failing which, the earnest money deposited by him will be forfeited to the Government and the contract cancelled.

*Conditions.*

The trees would be felled in regular consecutive order. The contractor will not be bound, however, to fell such trees as are in the opinion of the Range Officer, absolutely unfit for the purpose of sleepers.

2. The felling of unmarked trees shall be treated as an offence.

3. The trees shall be felled as low as possible.

4. From the time of felling, the timber shall be at the sole risk of the contractor who shall make his own arrangements for the protection of the same from fire, theft, wastage or damage of any kind whatsoever.

5. The cost of felling trees, extraction of timber and preparation and carting of sleepers to the places of delivery shall be borne entirely by the contractor.

6. Rejected sleepers, side boards, tops and pieces and all portions not used for sleepers for the purpose shall remain the property of the Government.

7. Every portion of a tree must, as far as possible, be converted into sleepers, if suitable for the purpose without causing undue wastage.

8. Sleepers shall not be removed from the forests until they are checked by a duly authorised officer.

9. All removals shall be effected under cover of passports issued by a duly authorised officer and the contractor shall obtain receipts from Rangers concerned for all deliveries made which shall thereafter be in charge of the said Rangers.

10. The contractor shall maintain a bound register in the form prescribed by the District Forest Officer showing the number and other particulars of trees felled and the outturn of sleepers.

11. The contractor shall not assign his right under this agreement or any part thereof without the written permission of the District Forest Officer for the time being who may however refuse to grant such permission without assiging reasons therefor.

12. A list of agents, representatives and other employees of the contractor shall be furnished and approved of by the District Forest Officer.

13. The contractor shall be responsible for the acts of himself, his agents and all persons authorised by either of them.

14. The contractor shall take all possible care so that no damage shall be done to any standing growth in the forest which he is entitled to fell. For any such damage unless caused by accident or causes beyond his control, the contractor shall pay such compensation as the District Forest Officer shall decide.

15. In case of any fire within the forest area to which this contract applies, the contractor and his workmen shall render every assistance to put out the fire and in all such cases give immediate notice of the occurrence of fire to the nearest Forest, Revenue or Police Officer.

16. In case of any dispute regarding the contract, the Conservator's decision shall be final.

17. For the due fulfilment of all and every one of the conditions of this contract, the contractor agrees for the withholding of one-tenth of the amount of his bills as security and to the forfeiture of this amount and as well as the earnest money either in whole or in part for breach of all or any of the conditions of this contract as shall be decided by the Conservator of Forests and to the cancellation of the contract.

18. The forests from which sleepers are to be prepared are as follows:—

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| Shanker State Forest | ... | (1) Male Shanker Felling Series<br>(2) Setthalli Felling Series | 7,500 sleepers. About 18 miles from Shimoga. |
| Hanagere State Forest | ... | (1) Hanagere Eastern Felling Series | 7,500 sleepers. About 26 miles from Shimoga. |

*N. B.*—Tenders will not be received in person.

*Form Tender.*

Sir,

$\frac{I}{We}$ offer to prepare and deliver 15,000 (6' x 8" x 4½") metre-gauge junglewood consisting Mathi, Nandi, Jambe and Jalari sleepers as per terms of the printed Notification dated the 4th November 1922, at the Shimoga Depot at Rs.....(in words.....) per each junglewood sleeper passed by the Mysore Railway Department at the places referred to in the Notification and agree to the conditions therein claimed.

$\frac{I}{We}$ offer enclose herein currency of the marginally noted No..... ..to the value of rupees *one hundred only* (100) as earnest money.

Yours faithfully,

Station.....

Signature.....

Dated..... .....

Address.....

*N.B.—The address should be written legibly and clearly.*

M. A. VARADACHAR,
*District Forest Officer.*